



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant(s): Hiroaki Kubo  
For: DIGITAL CAMERA  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action, dated September 20, 2004, which provided for a shortened statutory response period ending October 20, 2004. A Petition for Extension of Time, to extend the response period for the Office Action, for three additional months to January 20, 2005, is being filed concurrently herewith.